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In re Application of:

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Gary K. Michelson

(Group Art Unit: 3764)

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Serial No.: 10/047,545

(Examiner: M. Brown)

For: THREADED FRUSTO-CONICAL INTERBODY SPINAL FUSION

IMPLANTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification (with the changes as shown in the attachment) as follows:

Page 2, lines 3-14: rewrite as follows:

-- This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/480,908, filed June 7, 1995, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 123, 152, and 167 without prejudice or disclaimer of their subject matter.

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